Attorney's Docket No.: 17329-004001 Client Reference No.: 05F0298US

JUN 12 2006

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Jack Yiu-Bun Lee Art Unit: 2665

Cynthia L. Davis Serial No.: 09/945,345 Examiner:

: August 30, 2001 Filed

: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR ERROR-CONTROL FOR MULTICAST Title

VIDEO DISTRIBUTION

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner For Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Va 22313-1450

RESPONSE

In response to the Final Office Action mailed February 7, 2006, Applicant requests the Patent Office to reconsider and allow the application. No amendment is made in this response.

The Final Office contends that Schneider teaches buffering data to support both ARQ and FEC error corrections in Col. 5, lines 20-22 and 52-55 and Col. 6, lines 3-6. This contention, however, apparently is based on an incorrect reading of Schneider.

The above cited portions in Schneider specifically point to the buffers 12 in FIG. 1 (see, Final Office Action at page 3, lines 6-9). Per Schneider, the buffers 12 are used to store ARQ signals and to retransmit data corresponding to the detected errors (Col. 6, lines 3-14).

However, contrary to the contention in the Final Office Action, the buffers 12 in Schneider do not buffer any data for

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY FIRST CLASS MAIL

I hereby certify under 37 CFR §1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Date of Deposit

June 7, 2006

Signature

Teri Barnett

Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate

09945345 00000025 061050 06/13/2006 CCHAU1

02 FC:2251

60.00 DA